UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

CHAMBERS OF JOSE L. LINARES UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE MARTIN LUTHER KING COURTHOUSE 50 WALNUT ST. COURT ROOM 5D NEWARK, NJ 07101 973-645-6042

February 8, 2016

LETTER ORDER

Via ECF

To All Counsel of Record

Re: Curasco v. A&A Medical Transport et al.

Civil Action No. 15-6896 (JLL) (JAD)

Dear Counsel:

Pending before the Court is Plaintiff's First Motion for Default Judgment as to A&A Medical Transport, Hazem Saleh, and Ahlam Abufaraj. (ECF No. 4.)

"Entry of default by the Clerk under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 55(a) constitutes a general prerequisite for a subsequent default judgment under Rule 55(b)." *Husain v. Casino Control Com'n*, 265 F. App'x. 130, 133 (3d Cir. 2008). Here, there was no entry of default prior to Plaintiff's filing of the instant motion. Thus, the motion is denied without prejudice, with leave to re-file by March 12, 2016.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

JOSE L. LINARES

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE